SENATE BILL No. 304

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 27-1-25-9; IC 27-8-11-7.

Synopsis: Disclosure of insurance benefits responsibility. Requires that third party administrators and preferred provider plans provide in any materials provided to an insured or enrollee the name of the insurer, health maintenance organization, or limited service health maintenance organization ultimately responsible for providing benefits under the policy or contract.

Effective: July 1, 1999.

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January 7, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.





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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 1998 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning insurance.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- SECTION 1. IC 27-1-25-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 9. (a) Policies, certificates, booklets, termination notices, or other written communications delivered by an insurer to an administrator for delivery to its policyholders shall be delivered by the administrator promptly after receipt of instructions from the insurer to do so.
- (b) All materials provided to a policyholder or enrollee (as defined in IC 27-13-1-12 and IC 27-13-34-1) by an administrator must communicate in a clear and visible manner the name of the insurer, health maintenance organization, or limited service health maintenance organization that has the ultimate responsibility for providing the benefits under the insurance policy or contract.

SECTION 2. IC 27-8-11-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 7.** All materials provided to an insured or enrollee by a preferred provider plan must communicate in a clear and visible manner the name of the insurer, health maintenance organization,



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